



**Bible Story:** Suddenly, I See (Paul Becomes a Believer) • **Acts 9:1-9**

**Bottom Line:** Knowing Jesus changes the way you see everything.

**Memory Verse:** *Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)*

**Life App:** Faith—Trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see

## 1. Read the Bible Story

**What You Need:** Bible

**What You Do:**

- Read **Acts 9: 1-9**
- *For older kids, work through the passages of scripture— spend time engaging in the passages with the kids. Think of questions you can ask them as you read these verses (Who, what, when, where, why how questions)*

## 2. Take a Snapshot

**What You Need:** No supplies needed

**What You Do:**

- **Ask** kids to describe how they might see things differently if their life changed in the following ways:
  - Dogs could talk.
  - The floor in our room was made of chocolate cake.
  - The Bible didn't exist.
  - You were blind.
  - You actually saw Jesus as you walked down the street.
  - You were a millionaire.
  - You were homeless.
  - You could turn yourself invisible.

**What You Say:**

"A floor made of cake or a world where people could randomly turn themselves invisible would be a total game-changer. Saul didn't experience any of those things, but he did encounter the GAME-CHANGER of all game-changers—Jesus! He came face to face with a man he believed was dead and discovered that He was very much alive. Life was never the same after Saul met Jesus. That's because Jesus changes the way we see everything."

### 3. All About Saul- [Bible Story Review]

**What You Need:** No supplies needed

**What You Do:**

- Take turns answering the following questions. See how well you were paying attention to our Bible story today!
  1. Who was the main person in today's story? (*Saul*)
  2. As a young man what did Saul study? (*The laws – he became a Pharisee*)
  3. Before Saul was blinded how did he view Jesus? (*Fake, not alive, dead*)
  4. What did Saul do to those who followed Jesus? (*He would look for them and take them as prisoners*)
  5. Why did Saul go to the high priest? (*He wanted to stop people from following Jesus by getting them arrested.*)
  6. As Saul was traveling to Damascus what happened? (*Sudden flash of light came down from heaven and he heard a voice*)
  7. Whose voice did Saul hear and what did it say to Saul? (*Jesus- that Saul was opposing him*)
  8. What did the voice tell Saul to do? (*To go into the city*)
  9. How did the men who were traveling with Saul react? (*They were amazed and speechless!*)
  10. What happened to Saul's eyes? (*He was blinded*)

**What You Say:**

“You guys were really paying attention during the Bible story, today! One BIG thing I want you to remember this month is that the events we read about in the Bible are all TRUE. These things happened to real people. Saul was blinded by a light and heard Jesus speak to him. Saul really was completely changed that day. He went from being a person who arrested believers of Jesus to having faith in Jesus, following Him, and even teaching others to believe in Jesus! Talk about a complete change! Once Saul learned the truth, it changed him. He saw Jesus in a completely new way. Because **[Bottom Line] Knowing Jesus changes the way you see everything.**”

**[Make It Personal] (Share a story about a time when you started to see things differently because Jesus changed your perspective of how you saw something. How did you respond to Jesus' story? How did it change you?)**

### 4. Discussion Questions

**What You Need:** No supplies needed

**What You Do:**

**Ask:**

- If God tries to get someone's attention but they continue to ignore Him, does He ever give up? Explain.
- In what ways might a follower of Jesus view the following areas of life differently than those who don't follow Him?
  - Money
  - People
  - Sickness or death
  - Time
  - Creation
  - Happiness
  - Bible
- If you could meet Jesus the way Saul did, how do you think it would impact your faith?
- We probably won't have a "Damascus" experience like Saul did, but what are some ways God might get our attention?

## 5. Lesson Recap and Prayer Journal:

**What You Need:** Prayer journal, paper, something to write with

### What You Do:

- As a family, **add to your prayer journal** or make a prayer journal if you have not already done so.
  - The Bible teaches us that the “the prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective” (*James 5:16b*). We are encouraging you to make a family prayer journal. It can be as fancy or as simple as you want. An example is provided on our Kids at The Heights Facebook Page! A prayer journal can be a tool to record your prayer requests and thanksgivings. It can also help you grow your faith as you keep a record of how the Lord answer your prayers.
- **Discuss** ways God might get people’s attention to help them grow their faith stronger. (Examples: Placing wise friends and leaders in our lives, the ups and downs in our life, the appreciation of all of God’s amazing creation, worshipping with others, prayer, reading our Bible.)
- **Pray** and ask for God’s help to know Jesus better through each of the ways you discussed.

### What You Say:

“Dear God, we want to know Jesus better. When we follow You in faith it, changes us from the inside out. Our attitude, words, and actions are not like those who don’t follow You. Help us to see things the way You see them. Help us grow in our love for You and others this week as we remember the things we learned today. In Jesus’ name, amen.”